

**MANSFIELD DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP  
PLANNING AND DESIGN COMMITTEE  
Mansfield Downtown Partnership office**

**Tuesday, May 19, 2015**

**MINUTES**

Members: Chair Steve Bacon, Sondra Astor-Stave, Chris Kueffner, Peter Millman, Betsy Paterson

Staff: Cynthia van Zelm

Guests: Lou Marquet, Principal with LeylandAlliance; Kathe Gable and Nancy Rucker with the Garden Gate Club

**1. Call to Order**

Steve Bacon called the meeting to order at 5:07 pm.

**2. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**3. Approval of Minutes from March 17, 2015 and April 21, 2015**

There was no quorum to approve the minutes.

**4. Walk of Phase 2 site and Public Spaces**

The Committee, staff, and guests joined Lou Marquet to review the courtyard space between VS8/9 and VS10 to see what landscaping or streetscape elements might be included in that area.

Mr. Marquet suggested that this might be another area for music. With respect to streetscape elements, it might be a good place for trees, raised planters, or gardens.

Peter Millman suggested that the area remain flexible until all the tenants are in place i.e., leave furniture unsecured.

Mr. Marquet said the area will get sun but more in the back of the courtyard toward Main Street Homes.

Nancy Rucker and Kathe Gable said the Garden Gate Club would likely not be interested in pavers but more interested in planters and trees.

Mr. Bacon asked if the hardscape planned for the courtyard area could be modified. Mr. Marquet replied in the affirmative but that it has to be done quickly. Work would need to start no later than July 1. The cost is likely an issue.

Mr. Marquet will provide the Committee and the Garden Gate Club with a map for further design ideas. He also will discuss with Bill Kerensky in his office who is a musician and would have a good idea of how the space would work for musicians.

Ms. Astor-Stave, Ms. Rucker, and Ms. Gable left the meeting.

The meeting convened briefly back in the Partnership office.

Mr. Marquet said he would sketch some ideas for June 1. Mr. Bacon suggested using the pavers in the courtyard that were used on the Town Square. The group liked that idea. Mr. Marquet will look into this cost.

## **5. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

*Minutes prepared by Cynthia van Zelm*